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The struggles of the Palestinian people is real. A heavy aura of Zionist oppression was felt. Ironical that in such a place where human history of a love revolution from God took place, such chaos explodes across the pristine landscape.

President Trump heralds a new deal with relationships with Israel. Trump's administration clearly impedes upon the democracy Palestine seeks. It is preferential treatment against the victims (Palestine) from the oppression heavily used by the Israeli government.

While in Palestine (West Bank) June 2015 for two weeks I saw how Israel's occupation impacts human rights for Palestinians. Israel controls their movement, right to travel, water supply, and the building of their homes. This heavy handed oppression by Israel fuels the anger Palestinians have. Many Palestinian Muslims approached me with smiles thanking me for coming. But they all said, "Please tell your government not to fund weapons used against us." America gives Israel approximately 40 billion dollars a year. The travel of any Palestinians is maniacally controlled by the IDF. Sometimes IDF holds Palestinians up to 12 hours to simply walk to Jerusalem (less than a mile) to purchase food.



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